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1978 NEBRASKA NESTING SURVEY

Compiled by *Dr. Esther V. Bennett*

Data on the 1978 nesting season in Nebraska were received from 17 observers, reporting on 71 species from 27 counties. Counties in the tabulation are listed in a west to east order, with the northernmost of approximately equal locations given first. Numbers represent Nest-Record Cards. Letters are from the NOU Nesting Report forms: Y represents young observed; F represents carrying food; and N represents nests for which no Nest-Record Card was submitted. Fifty-one species were reported on 187 North American Nest-Record Cards. The counties, with the column numbers on the tabulation shown in parentheses, and the contributors, were: Adams (20) R.G. Cortelyou; Banner (3) R.A. Lock; Box Butte (5) R.A. Lock; Brown (13) G. Wingfield; Cherry (8) G. Wingfield; Dawes (4) Bernadine Cox, R.A. Lock; Dawson (14) G. Wingfield; Douglas (26) R.G. Cortelyou, Fitzhugh Diggs, Mark Egger, C.E. Johnson, E.D. Johnson; Franklin (18) Harold Turner; Hall (19) R.G. Cortelyou; Holt (16) C.E. Johnson, G. Wingfield; Kearney (17) Harold Turner; Keya Paha (12) G. Wingfield; Knox (21) G. Wingfield; Lancaster (25) Norma Johnson, R.A. Lock, Mabel Ott; Lincoln (10) G. Wingfield, Marie Cunningham; Loup (15) G. Wingfield; McPherson (9) Oona Bassett; Morrill (6) R.A. Lock; Sarpy (27) R.G. Cortelyou, Ruth Green, C.E. Johnson; Saunders (24) R.G. Cortelyou, Father T.J. Hoffman; Scotts Bluff (2) Alice Kenitz, R.A. Lock; Seward (23) R.A. Lock; Sheridan (7) R.A. Lock; Sioux (1) R.A. Lock, G. Wingfield; Thomas (11) G. Wingfield; York (22) Tanya Bray.

The following 25 Nebraska species which were reported in 1978 were not reported in the 1977 Nebraska Nesting Survey (*NBR* 46:13): Ferruginous Hawk, Merlin, Sharp-tailed Grouse, Piping Plover, Black-billed Cuckoo, Belted Kingfisher, Red-bellied Woodpecker, Great Crested Flycatcher, Yellow-bellied Flycatcher, Rough-winged Swallow, Black-capped Chickadee, Gray Catbird, Eastern Bluebird, Loggerhead Shrike, Bell's Vireo, Yellow Warbler, Cerulean Warbler, Common Yellowthroat, Yellow-headed Blackbird, Brown-headed Cowbird, Indigo Bunting, House Finch, Pine Siskin, Lark Sparrow, and Field Sparrow.

Eleven species reported in the 1977 survey were not reported in 1978: Pied-billed Grebe, American Kestrel, American Coot, Screech Owl, Purple Martin, Brown Creeper, Starling, Great-tailed Grackle, American Goldfinch, Rufous-sided Towhee, and Lark Bunting.

Persons contributing 15 or more Nest-Record Cards were Norma Johnson (96), Alice M. Kenitz (29), Ross A. Lock (35), and G. Wingfield (15).

Anyone who sees evidence of nesting, young, or adult birds carrying nesting materials, food, or fecal sacs, can submit the information without the use of a special form, although it will be appreciated if the information is in such form that it can be easily separated by species and county. This information will be included in the Nebraska Nesting Survey by letter rather than by numbers.

Anyone who has found, or expects to find, an active nest is invited to write for North American Nest-Record Cards to use in reporting the nest. Each nest requires a separate card, except for colonial nesting species, which require a separate card for each visit to the site.

Cards, instruction sheets, and Laboratory of Ornithology Nest Survey Newsletters may be obtained from Dr. Esther V. Bennett, 1641 Devoe Drive, Lincoln, Nebraska 68506. Completed cards should be returned to Dr. Bennett by 1 October 1980 to be included in the annual report. If persons wish to send information after that date the information will be sent to Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology but it will not be included in the state survey.

— Assistant Superintendent, Outdoor
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Parks and Recreation Dept.
Lincoln, Nebraska

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	Stoux	Scotts	Bluff	Banner	Daves	Box Butte	Morrill	Sheridan	Cherry	McPherson	Lincoln	Thomas	Keya Paha	Brown	Dawson	Loup	Holt	Kearney	Franklin	Hall	Adams	Knox	York	Seward	Saunders	Lancaster	Douglas	Sarpy	Total	Nest Cards	
Great Horned Owl	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	N	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26	27	-	-	
Long-eared Owl	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	2	-
Belted Kingfisher	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Common Flicker	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	5	-
Red-bellied Woodpecker	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
Red-headed Woodpecker	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	Y	Y	Y	5	-	-
Downy Woodpecker	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	1	1	-	-
Eastern Kingbird	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3, Y	2	-	-	5	-
Western Kingbird	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	3	-
Great Crested Flychr.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yellow-bellied Flychr.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	3, Y	4	-	-
Western Wood Pewee	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Horned Lark	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rough-winged Swallow	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
Barn Swallow	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	9	-
Cliff Swallow	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	-	1	-
Blue Jay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2, Y	Y	-	-	2	-
Black-billed Magpie	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Common Crow	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-

	Sloux	Scotts Bluff	Banner	Dawes	Box Butte	Morrill	Sheridan	Cherry	McPherson	Lincoln	Thomas	Keya Paha	Brown	Dawson	Loup	Holt	Kearney	Franklin	Hall	Adams	Knox	York	Seward	Saunders	Lancaster	Douglas	Sarpy	Total	Nest Cards
White-breasted Nutch.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	-
House Wren	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	9
Mockingbird	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
Gray Catbird	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
Brown Thrasher	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,Y	-	-	-	-	7
American Robin	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	1,Y	-	Y	11	-
Eastern Bluebird	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,Y	-	-	-	2	-
Loggerhead Shrike	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-
Bell's Vireo	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-
Red-eyed Vireo	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-
Yellow Warbler	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Cerulean Warbler	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-
Common Yellowthroat	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-
House Sparrow	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
Eastern Meadowlark	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-
Western Meadowlark	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-
Yellow-headed Blackbd.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-
Red-winged Blackbird	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	3	-
Orchard Oriole	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-
Northern Oriole	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,Y	-	-	-	-	6

	Sloux	Scots	Bluff	Banner	Daves	Box Butte	Morrill	Sheridan	Cherry	McPherson	Lincoln	Thomas	Keya Paha	Brown	Dawson	Loup	Holt	Kearney	Franklin	Hall	Adams	Knox	York	Geward	Saunders	Lancaster	Douglas	Sargy	Total	
Nest Cards	1	2	-	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	2
Common Grackle	-	2	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Brown-headed Cowbird	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	Y	Y	7	
Cardinal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	Y	-	3	
Rose-breasted Grosbk.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	Y	-	
Indigo Bunting	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	
Dickcissel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	
House Finch	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	
Pine Siskin	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	N	1	
Grasshopper Sparrow	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	N	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	
Lark Sparrow	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Field Sparrow	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	Y	-	-	4
Nest Cards																														
Individuals	7	30	6	11	1	6	2	1	-	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	4	1	-	-	-	3	-	1	-	99	5	5	189	
Species	3	14	2	6	1	2	1	1	-	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	3	1	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	32	4	3	51	
No Nest Cards	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	1	-	1	-	2	17	5	7	20
Total Species	3	15	2	6	1	2	1	1	6	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	3	2	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	49	9	10	71